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To the Assistant Commissioner for Patents

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Transmitted herewith for filing under 35 U.S.C. 111(a) and 37 CFR 1.53(b) is a new utility patent application for an invention entitled:

### COMPOSITES USEFUL AS FENCE AND DECKING COMPONENTS AND METHODS FOR PRODUCING SAME

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### [x] Small entity status is entitled to be asserted for this application.

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## REQUEST FOR NON-PUBLICATION OF APPLICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.213(a)

Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby requests that the above-identified application, filed concurrently herewith, **NOT BE PUBLISHED** under 35 USC 122(b). In making this request, applicant certifies that the invention disclosed in the application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication at 18 months after filing.

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